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Share The Shabbaton Experience With Family and Friends

Join other members of the Park Avenue Synagogue family for an extraordinary Shabbat experience — the Shabbaton — which will take place in the synagogue from sundown Friday, January 20 to sundown Saturday, January 21.

The Shabbaton is an intense experience in Jewish living lasting an entire day. At a Shabbaton we pray together, study and learn together and eat and sing together. Our Scholar-In-Residence will be Professor Lucy S. Dawidowicz, noted scholar, teacher and author.

The Shabbaton begins with the Friday evening Service and continues at the Congregational Shabbat Dinner. The dinner will be served by the enthusiastic Shabbat Dinner Committee, chaired by Linda and Mel Mat-

After dinner, Professor Dawidowicz deliver the first of the Dorothy Tager Lectures, "On Equal Terms: Jews in America 1881 - 1981", a lecture based upon her current historical research.

The following morning, at Shabbat Services, Rabbi Nadich will teach from the pulpit and at the luncheon which follows Services, Professor Dawidowicz will deliver the second Dorothy Tager Lecture, "Jewish Identity and Self-Knowledge".

As is always true at a Shabbaton, there will be that marvellous Shabbat *ruach* (spirit) and *zemirot* (singing) as well as ample opportunity for discussion both on Friday evening and Saturday afternoon.

After a short break, the Shabbaton will resume at 4:30 P.M., when Rabbi Wechsler will lead a study session over Afternoon Tea. The Shabbaton concludes with the Maariv and Havdalah services.

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Rabbi Judah Nadich Chair Established at Seminary

Dr. Gerson D. Cohen, Chancellor of The Jewish Theological Seminary of America, has recently announced the creation of the Rabbi Judah Nadich Instructorship in Talmud as a permanent seat on the faculty of Seminary. The first person to occupy this will be David Kraemer, about whom Dr. Cohen wrote to Rabbi Nadich: "A brilliant scholar and teacher, one who will honor your name."

The congregation congratulates Rabbi Nadich upon this great honor.

JOURNAL DEDICATED TO ABRAHAM I. SHERR

Dr. Shalala Guest Speaker At Women's Evening Group Service



Dr. Donna E. Shalala

Dr. Donna E. Shalala, President of Hunter College of the City University of New York, will be the guest speaker at the Women's Evening Group Shabbat Service, Friday, January 27 at 8:30 P.M.

Dr. Shalala, one of the nation's leading experts of state and urban government and finance, is the youngest of CUNY's 17 current presidents and the youngest president in Hunter College's one hundred year history. An activist, noted scholar and teacher, her publications include more than forty scholarly articles, monographs and books in the field of urban affairs, political science and public finance.

The Women's Evening Group invites the congregation to join them at services and then at the Oneg Shabbat which follows.

Faye Baron is the chairperson of the evening.

USHERS NEEDED

There remain a few vacancies on the Ushers Committee. Men and women interested in volunteering for this committee should contact our Executive Director, Barrie Modlin, 369-2600, during business hours.

The Park Avenue Synagogue Journal this year is dedicated to Abraham I. Sherr. Mr. Sherr is the immediate past president of the congregation, a major benefactor of the synagogue and the provider of the endowment for the Sherr Institute of Adult Jewish Studies.

Mr. Sherr always has been a generous contributor of his time and resources to Park Avenue Synagogue. Whether it was to serve in an office, or to accept the chairmanship of a new committee, The Patrons Club, Mr. Sherr has always said "yes" when asked to help Park Avenue Synagogue.

Mr. Sherr and his wife Jean became members of the congregation in 1951. Their three children, Rita, Barbara, and Alan, attended the Religious School, the girls being confirmed and Alan becoming Bar Mitzvah on our pulpit.

The congregation honored Mr. Sherr on Simhat Torah in 1975. Rabbi Nadich commented at that time "... your devotion to the synagogue over so many years and your dedicated service as an officer and member of the Board of Trustees make it [the honor of Hatan Torah] especially appropriate ... in honoring you, we honor ourselves ..."

A native New Yorker, Mr. Sherr is a graduate of New York University and of the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration, from which he graduated with distinction. He joined Fownes Brothers & Co., Inc., a leading glove manufacturing concern, in 1936 and became its president in 1965. He served in the United States Coast Guard during World War II.

The Journal

The Journal is the vehicle through which the needs of the Operating Budget of the synagogue are met. The Journal Committee, chaired again this year by Anita Gluck, is a large, enthusiastic and dedicated committee. However, the committee looks to the whole membership of the synagogue to serve as extended members of the Journal Committee. Members of the congregation should feel a responsibility to take an ad in the Journal, either through their businesses or personally. We should also solicit ads from among our families, friends, business associates, etc., because all of us together — 1100 plus families — should be able *easily* to share the burden of making our annual Journal a smashing success.

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PARK AVENUE SYNAGOGUE

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Joann Rosoff Editor

A Giant Step For Conservative Judaism

After many years of debate, sometimes both heated and voluble, the faculty of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America decided by a vote of 34 to 8 to admit women to the Rabbinical School for ordination as Conservative rabbis. This is understandably a landmark decision for it sets forth in real and tangible manner the underlying philosophy of the Conservative movement. In the words of Chancellor Gerson D. Cohen the vote is "evidence that the Seminary and the Conservative movement in American Judaism are able to respond to the challenges of modernity in traditional terms." This is in essence the purpose of Conservative Judaism — to be loyal to tradition and Jewish law while, at the same time, responding to the changes which are inherent in the flow of time. Of all the paths in Judaism this is the most difficult to follow. It is always easier to adhere to past values without exercising one's own judgment as to the pressing needs and demands which time and society place upon us. This is the path of orthodoxy. On the other hand it is also easier to shed the sometimes burdensome heritage which is ours and choose, rather arbitrarily, which values we should enshrine and follow. This is the path of Reform. Conservative Judaism grapples with realities and at the same time holds in reverence all of the Jewish past. This is the most difficult path of all. That is why it need be clearly understood that the subject of ordination for women was not approached lightly. It was studied by the faculty of the Seminary over a period of years within the parameters of Jewish law.

It is for this reason that we are able to rejoice and take pride in the movement of which we are an integral part. This is surely a giant step forward and we join this march for Judaism's continuing growth with renewed vigor.

— Judah Nadich

Schedule of Religious Services

Friday evening, January 6 6:15 p.m.

Saturday morning, January 7 9:15 a.m.

Bar Mitzvah of Marc Harold Lerner
son of Dr. and Mrs. Laurence Lerner

Friday evening, January 13 6:15 p.m.

Saturday morning, January 14 9:15 p.m.

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SHABBATON SHABBAT

Lucy Dawidowicz, Scholar-In-Residence

Friday evening, January 20 6:15 p.m.

Shabbaton Shabbat Dinner
by advance reservation only

Saturday morning, January 21 9:15 a.m.

Rabbi Judah Nadich will teach
Shabbaton Lunch
by advance reservation only

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Friday night, January 27 8:30 p.m.

Women's Evening Group Sabbath
Dr. Donna E. Shalala
President of Hunter College
Guest Speaker
Oneg Shabbat follows service

Saturday morning, January 28 9:15 a.m.

Bar Mitzvah of Jonathan Morris
son of Drs. Muriel and Alan Morris

Rabbis Judah Nadich and Harlan J. Wechsler will conduct the services together with Cantor David Lefkowitz, Mark Kula and the Synagogue Choir, with Neil Robinson at the organ.

In Celebration of Tu B'shevat

Tu B'shevat, the New Year of the Trees, begins at sundown Wednesday, January 18 and concludes at sundown Thursday, January 19.

It may be the dead of winter here in New York City, but in Israel the sap has begun to flow in the trees indicating the approach of spring. Therefore, Jews throughout the world make note of their tie to the Land of Israel by planting trees in Israel or by contributing money for the planting of trees. In the Religious School the children will plant trees through the Jewish National Fund.

It is also appropriate to celebrate Tu B'shevat by eating fruits grown in Israel — dates, figs, oranges, *bokser* or carob. Moreover, Tu B'shevat is a time when we can also strengthen our awareness of our connection to the natural world around us. Even a walk through Central Park, with a heightened sensitivity to its natural wonders of grass and trees, rocks and water, birds and squirrels, can serve to bring us closer, in some small way, to our natural environment.

A Recording of the Fortieth Annual Service Of Contemporary Liturgical Music *Arvit Leshabat* composed by Abraham Kaplan will be available soon.

To place your order, please
contact the Cantor's Study,
396-2600, Ext. 114,
during regular business hours.

Nowakowsky Manuscripts Loaned to Putterman Music Library

The heirs of David Nowakowsky, the great choirmaster of the Brody Synagogue in Odessa, Russia, have agreed to allow the unpublished Nowakowsky manuscripts (estimated to be more than ten thousand pages!) to be catalogued and housed in the Music Library of the Putterman Music Center of Park Avenue Synagogue, Rabbi Nadich announced to the congregation at the 40th annual service of contemporary liturgical music on Friday, November 18.

According to Cantor Lefkowitz, who has researched and interpreted many of the composer's manuscripts since 1978, "it is now clear that David Nowakowsky was the most prolific composer of Jewish sacred music in history."

Nowakowsky was the choirmaster of the Brody Synagogue from 1869 until his death in 1921. He is considered by many to be the greatest synagogue composer of his time. Responding to the great flowering of intellectual freedom and cultural creativity in 19th century Odessa, Nowakowsky composed music for all occasions, liturgical and secular, and the Brody Synagogue became famous throughout Russia for the music heard there.

Nowakowsky enjoyed considerable fame during his lifetime only to have the body of his work disappear from public view after his death. Several clues as to the whereabouts of this large collection of composition were pursued by Cantor Lefkowitz until it was found by him in the possession of the family now living in New York and California.

The family has designated Cantor Lefkowitz the exclusive interpreter of Nowakowsky's work and has also agreed to house the original manuscripts at Park Avenue Synagogue, thus making this music available to scholars, cantors, musicologists and interested laypersons.

This designation by the family further strengthens the bond between Park Avenue Synagogue and the Brody Synagogue, making our synagogue the cultural and spiritual heir of that great 19th century synagogue. By a strange quirk of fate, that bond began in the 1920s when Isadore Geller, the organist and assistant choirmaster at the Brody Synagogue, emigrated to the United States. Mr. Geller became the organist at Park Avenue Synagogue and remained in that position for more than 20 years, imbuing our services with the spirit of his teacher, Nowakowsky. Geller had owned many volumes of Nowakowsky's music and, before his death, had given them to Cantor Robert H. Segal. When Cantor Segal retired in 1978, he entrusted his entire music library to Cantor Lefkowitz and the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Our congregation has become somewhat familiar with Nowakowsky's music as Can-

Coming . . . This Winter and Spring in the Sherr Institute of Adult Jewish Studies

Beginning

January 4

Five Wednesdays
8:00 to 9:30 p.m.

January 9

Three Mondays
8:00 to 9:00 p.m.
One Saturday
11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

January 10

Eight Tuesdays
8:00 to 9:15 p.m.

January 17

Eight Tuesdays
1:30 to 3:00 p.m.

January 17, 18

Eight Tuesdays
3:00 to 4:30 p.m.
Eight Wednesdays
2:30 to 4:00 p.m.

January 20

Friday Evening and
Saturday Lunch

February 8

Five Wednesdays
8:00 to 9:30 p.m.

February 9

Four Thursdays
11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

February 14

Nine Tuesdays
8:00 to 9:30 p.m.

February 22

Eight Wednesdays
8:15 to 9:15 p.m.

March 6

Four Tuesdays
12 Noon to 1:40 p.m.

March 14

Three Wednesdays
8:00 to 9:30 p.m.

Hebrew Courses Beginning

January 4

January 9
Ten Mondays
8:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Milton Steinberg, Theologian

A retrospective look at one of America's most interesting thinkers and rabbis.

Dr. Neil Gillman

Bar- and Bat-Mitzvah Parents' Primer

Ideal preparation.

Rabbi Judah Nadich, Cantor David Lefkowitz,
Rabbi Harlan J. Wechsler, Mr. Mark Kula.

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Jewish studies for parents whose children have recently entered the PAS religious school.

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A playgroup for children 12 to 24 months of age where mothers discuss child development.

Mrs. Carol Schapiro Kekst.

The Shabbaton

"America is Different: Jews in the United States"

The Dorothy Tager Lectures, 1984

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Two lectures.

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A support group for converts, prospective converts and their spouses. Co-sponsored by the Center for Conversion to Judaism.

Rabbi Stephen C. Lerner.

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Bring your own lunch and study the Passover Haggadah.

Rabbi Harlan J. Wechsler.

Jacob on the Couch

A psychological analysis of the patriarch.

Dr. Samuel C. Klagsbrun.

Afternoon courses at all levels with Mrs. Vivian Finkel.

Synagogue Hebrew: Intermediate

A course in reading the standard prayers for those who already know the Hebrew alphabet.

Mr. Michael Schorin.

Advance registration is desirable. Schedule of tuition and further details in the full Sherr Institute brochure. For the brochure and further information call Rabbi Wechsler's Office, 369-2600, Ext. 110.

Sisterhood Presents "Jews of Colonial America"

Janice Levit will present a talk and slide presentation on "Jews of Colonial America" at the next open meeting of Sisterhood, Tuesday, January 17 at 1 P.M.

Mrs. Levit is a popular lecturer and has had a broad education in art, history, and languages. She has studied at Moore College of Art, Columbia University and the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. She and her husband Herschel have spent the last 20 years photographing and documenting Western European and early American art and architecture.

An informal coffee hour follows the formal program at which time the Levits will be available for questions.

Learn More About Camp Ramah At Open House January 10

An Open House, at which the program of Camp Ramah In The Berkshires will be discussed, accompanied by a slide presentation, will take place at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Alan Davidson, 1120 Park Avenue (at 90th St.), on Tuesday, January 10 at 8:15 P.M.

Camp Ramah is located in Wingdale, New York and accommodates 450 boys and girls between the ages of 10 and 17. All prospective campers must be students in a Hebrew or Religious School. The camp is under the educational supervision of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

This Open House provides an opportunity for parents considering a summer camp experience for their child(ren) to learn more about the unique and valuable experience a summer at Ramah affords. It should be noted that there is a reduced fee for those who register before January 31 and that camperships are also available.

Please let the Davidsons know that you are coming by calling them in the evening at 289-7771.

Congratulations

The Congregation offers a hearty *Mazal Tov* to:

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bienenstock, upon the birth of their grandson, Jonathan Benjamin Kobrin.

Barbara Friedman and Michael Delgado upon their marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay LeBoff, upon the birth of their daughter, Ariel Morgan LeBoff.

Mr. and Mrs. Marc Platt, upon the birth of their daughter, Samantha Rose.

Our Students Share Holiday Joy With Project Ezra Members

It has become somewhat of a tradition at Park Avenue Synagogue that at holiday time a concerted effort is made by the students in our school to make the holidays a little brighter for our Jewish elderly living on the Lower East Side. This Hanukkah was no exception.

The students of our High School joined the Men's Club in welcoming members of Project Ezra to the synagogue for a pre-Hanukkah party brunch. In a letter of thanks to Peter Geffen, Principal of the High School, Misha Avramoff, Director of Project Ezra, noted:

"The communal get-together between Ezra and Park Avenue Synagogue . . . was a wonderful warm event celebrating Jewish peoplehood. The elderly at Ezra look forward to spending the day 'uptown' and celebrating the notion of a Jewish Community united in its diversity . . . The students and teachers [also] were wonderful. The program and personal warmth they exuded were not lost on our people . . . Our very best to all the students and teachers who helped make the event a 'heimish' experience."

In response to the efforts of the children in the Religious School, Mr. Avramoff wrote in a letter of thanks to Mrs. Bloch, Principal of the Elementary School:

"The Hanukkah gifts, so beautifully prepared by your students, were given out and literally devoured by our elderly. There was obviously a lot of thought given to the preparation of these gifts and the cards that accompanied them were sincere expressions of children wanting to make Hanukkah a festive occasion for others . . ."

Young Couples League Hosts Traditional Melaveh Malkeh

The Young Couples League invites its members and their friends to a Melaveh Malkeh, on Saturday evening, January 7 at 8 P.M. The experience of their first Melaveh Malkeh last year was so joyful that they have decided to make it an annual event.

Melaveh Malkeh means "accompanying the Queen". It was the custom in Eastern Europe for Jews to get together for a Saturday night dairy meal in order to extend some of the joy of the Sabbath into the week. It is a custom still in practice today among the Hassidim.

Rabbi Wechsler will lead in the story telling which is part of the Melaveh Malkeh. Supper will consist of foods *traditional to Eastern Europe*: borscht, potatoes, herring.

For more information please call Gail Brown, 534-8518. Reservations are limited and will be accepted on a first come, first served basis. Cost per person is \$10 and each reservation must be accompanied by a check.

Rand Fund For Teachers' Benefits Augmented By Year End Giving

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Rand have once again made an additional significant contribution to the fund they founded for teachers' benefits. This fund, to which contributions in any amount can be made by anyone throughout the year, enables the synagogue to retain and attract dedicated and talented teachers for our religious school.

Mrs. Rand is a member of a family long associated with Park Avenue Synagogue. Her granddaughter, Elizabeth Ross, is a student in the Religious School and her grandson, Ralph Davidson, is enrolled in the High School.

The Congregation thanks Mr. and Mrs. Rand for their continuing generosity.

PAS Singles Sponsor Theater Party To 92nd St. Y

Park Avenue Synagogue Singles invites its members to a private theater evening and reception with the cast of the American Jewish Theater, Thursday, January 19 at 8 P.M. at the 92nd St. Y.

The play "I Am A Camera" by Christopher Isherwood was the original play upon which the musical "Cabaret" was based.

The Singles have taken the entire theater for the evening, *but seating is very limited*, so return your reservation card and check quickly. Cost per person for the evening is \$25 and checks should be made out to Park Avenue Synagogue.

For further information, please call Rabbi Wechsler's Secretary, 369-2600, Ext. 110.

WEG Auction Committee Already At Work

Be sure to circle the date on your social calendar today — *SATURDAY, APRIL 7*. This is the date of the Women's Evening Group Annual Auction and Supper.

The committee, under the direction of Maxine Bender Dove, has had its first meeting and is already at work getting *fabulous* items for the auction.

Already in hand are two items: a fur coat, on consignment at the manufacturer's cost, from Reby Furs International and a comforter ensemble from Whiting Manufacturing.

The next meeting of the committee is scheduled for Monday, January 30 at 8 P.M. Everyone interested in working on the auction is welcome to attend. Also, any member or friend of the congregation interested in donating goods and/or services to the auction may do so. Remember: all donations to the synagogue are deductible for tax purposes.

We Take Pride In:

Philip Bernstein, whose new book, *To Dwell In Unity - The Jewish Federation Movement in America Since 1960*, was published recently by the Jewish Publication Society of America. Mr. Bernstein was chief executive officer of the Council of Jewish Federations until his retirement in 1979.

Hanna Lyttle, who, as a member of the International Affairs Committee of the Anti-Defamation League, was briefed with the committee by the National Security Council on the issues and ramifications of the new strategic cooperation pact between the United States and Israel.

Martha Hadassah Nadich, whose article, "My Brother, Harold U. Ribalow", appeared in the Fall issue of the *Jewish Spectator*.

Lettie Osserman, who was honored by UJA/Federation at a luncheon. Mrs. Osserman received a plaque "Deeds of Tzedakah" for her lifelong commitment to Jewish philanthropy.

Sidney D. Rosoff, who was elected Chairman of the Board of the Society For The Right To Die at the Society's annual meeting in New York.

Gerald Silbert, who was elected Vice President and Executive Committee member of the Associated YM-YWHA's of Greater New York.

Gerald and Ramie Silbert, who have become Charter Members of the Chancellor's Council of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

Facilities in the new Boesky Family Library of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America were dedicated last month by **Peter and Ceil Feinberg, Nathan and Marjorie Kogan, Arnold and Lite Sabin, Gerald and Ramie Silbert, Theodore H. Silbert and Mrs. Ira Sollar and family.**

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Mr. and Mrs. Stephen L. Wald.

Synagogue Offerings

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Anouna, in memory of his parents, Camille and Elie Anouna.
Mr. and Mrs. William Bachrach, in honor of the birthday of Hilda Davidson.
Mrs. Fannie Beller, in memory of Carl Markovitz.
Mr. and Mrs. Ira L. Bellsey, in memory of her father, Joseph Kurzon.
Mr. Peter Bellsey, in memory of his grandfather, Joseph Kurzon.
Mrs. Estelle Berger, in memory of her sister, Dorothy Feldman.
Mrs. Gertrude Z. Blau, in memory of her husband, Herman Blau.
Mr. Allan Blumstein, in memory of his grandmother, Esther Englander.
Ms. Toby R. Bremer, Jeremy and Daniel, in memory of Pauline Fried.
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New Books Arrive Daily In Rothschild Library

Librarian Susan Vogelstein is very busy cataloguing the new books which are arriving daily in the Rothschild Library. The faster she can catalogue them, the faster they will be available for circulation.

These new additions to the library collections augment the already superb collection of reference, adult and juvenile books contained in the Rothschild Library and are available to the congregation.

New this month are:

Reference:

The Jewish People's Almanac

Adult:

Angel, *La America*
Bar-Zohar, *The Quest for the Red Prince*
Birmingham, *The Auerbach Will*
Eban, *The New Diplomacy*
Eisner, *The Survivor*
Goldberg, *Namesake*
Greenberg, *On Woman and Judaism*
How to Run a Traditional Jewish Household
Jungreis, *The Jewish Soul On Fire*
Keneally, *Schindler's List*
Prager, *Why The Jews?*
Radosh, *The Rosenberg File*
Sachar, *The Redemption of the Unwanted*
Stewart, *Ellis Island*
Strassfeld, *The Jewish Family Book*
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Yerushalmi, *Zakhor*
Zelermeyer, *The Best in Jewish Cooking*
From My Mother's Shtetl to Mine

Juvenile:

Burstein, *A First Jewish Holiday Cookbook*
Chaikin, *Finders Weepers*
Cohen, *Queen For A Day*
Eisenberg, *A Mitzvah Is Something Special*
Garfield, *The Writing On The Wall*
Hurwitz, *Once I Was A Plum Tree*
Schwartz, *Elijah's Violin and Other Jewish Fairy Tales*
Singer, *The Golem*
Snyder, *Ike and Mama and Trouble At School*

The Rothschild Library is open Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3 - 6 P.M., Wednesdays from 3:30 - 6:30 P.M. and Sundays from 9:30 A.M. - 12 Noon.

Unusual Items FOR SALE in Sisterhood Gift Shop

Mondays through Thursdays
11 A.M. - 5 P.M.

Sundays
9:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

Conservatives in Israel: Progress Against Hostility

Progress in the face of determined and often unprincipled hostility by a small group of religious extremists is the gist of a report presented to supporters of the Foundation for Conservative (Mesorati) Judaism in Israel by its executive director, Dr. David Gordis on his return to the United States from an extended visit to Israel.

"Our 39 synagogues in Israel have grown in strength and in numbers. Our Rabbinical School in Israel will open its doors next September and seven elementary public schools are now operating, each of which presents a Judaica curriculum in the spirit of Conservative Judaism. By next September their graduates will be able to enter a Mesorati high school in Jerusalem, the first of its kind in Israel.

"We have developed a new Reaction Committee which regularly issues statements on matters of public policy within Israel and these statements and our opinions are being reported in the Israeli press. Most significant, in my view, is that we are no longer an 'invisible movement' in Israel and our leadership there has attained a new level of confidence and assurance in presenting Conservative Judaism to the Israeli public on every level."

Doctors Hospital Seeks Volunteers

Doctors Hospital, located on East End Avenue at 87 Street, is seeking volunteers to help the hospital staff provide the best health care possible for their patients.

The hospital is a voluntary, not-for-profit health care institution. Volunteers work with professional staff daily. They are provided with on-the-job training, orientation, recognition, friendship and even hot meals.

If you are interested in become a volunteer at Doctors Hospital, please call Patricia Puleo, Director of Volunteer Services, at 870-9126 or 870-9206 to arrange for a personal recruitment visit.

Condolences

Park Avenue Synagogue extends heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved of our congregation and to their families:

To the family of **Harold Stern.**

Mrs. Mary Williamson, upon the death of her husband, Frank, superintendent of Park Avenue Synagogue for 37 years; to **Francis Williamson**, upon the death of his father.

Mrs. Nahum J. Winer, upon the death of her mother, Belle Brill.

Mrs. Evalyn Yudkoff, upon the death of her brother, Carl Markovitz.

Adolescence Topic Of Parent Association Meeting

Parents Association invites all parents and interested members of the congregation to hear Dr. Ralph Lopez speak on "Setting Limits For Adolescents", on Wednesday, January 11 at 8 P.M.

Dr. Lopez is a specialist in the field of adolescent medicine. A popular and articulate speaker, he is able to engage his audience in a dialogue which is both provocative and thoughtful.

Adolescence is a trying time for parents and children. Come and share your concerns and profit from Dr. Lopez' experiences, ideas and suggestions.

Shabbaton

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Professor Dawidowicz

It is a rare privilege to have such a distinguished scholar as Professor Dawidowicz lead the discussion at the Shabbaton. Those of you who have read her books and articles and those of you who have heard her speak know how insightful and knowledgeable she is! A special collection of selected Dawidowicz essays will be distributed to those who participate in the Shabbaton.

Reservations Necessary

Please return the reservation card which was included in the letter you received describing the Shabbaton *as soon as possible*. Space is limited and reservations will be filled on a first come, first served basis.

The Adult Education Committee is responsible for the organizing and running of the Shabbaton. Alan Levine and Ruth Ritterband are chairing the event.

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ANSWER YOUR JOURNAL LETTER TODAY.

Nowakowsky

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tor Lefkowitz presented it first in a special liturgical music service in 1979 and later incorporated other music into our services. Now with Cantor Lefkowitz' new acquisition of the composer's complete personal collection, virtually all of the unpublished work of Nowakowsky is in one place, being studied at Park Avenue Synagogue.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS for JANUARY, 1984

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 NEW YEAR'S DAY Building Closed 5:45 P.M. Daily Minyan	2 LEGAL HOLIDAY Building Closed 5:45 P.M. Daily Minyan	3 11 A.M. - 5 P.M. Gift Shop Open 3 - 6 P.M. Library Open 5:45 P.M. Daily Minyan	4 11 A.M. - 5 P.M. Gift Shop Open 1 P.M. Advanced Hebrew 3:30 - 6:30 P.M. Library Open 5:45 P.M. Daily Minyan 8 P.M. Milton Steinberg	5 7:30 A.M. Morning Minyan 11 A.M. - 5 P.M. Gift Shop Open 11 A.M. Intermediate Hebrew II 1 P.M. Intermediate Hebrew I 2 P.M. Retirees Club 3 - 6 P.M. Library Open 5:45 P.M. Daily Minyan 7:30 P.M. Planning Committee	6 6:15 P.M. Friday Night Family Service conducted by Grade Hey followed by Kiddush for Grade Hey Families Light Candles 4:24 P.M.	7 9:15 A.M. Shabbat Service Bar Mitzvah Marc Lerner 5 P.M. Study Mishneh Torah followed by Service 8 P.M. Melavah Malkah sponsored by Young Couples League by advance reservation only
8 9:30 A.M. - 12 Noon Library Open 9:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M. Gift Shop Open 5:45 P.M. Daily Minyan	9 11 A.M. - 5 P.M. Gift Shop Open 1 P.M. Beginning Hebrew 3 - 6 P.M. Library Open 5:45 P.M. Daily Minyan 8 P.M. Synagogue Hebrew 8 P.M. Bar/Bat Mitzvah Primer	10 11 A.M. - 5 P.M. Gift Shop Open 12 Noon Sisterhood Board 3 - 6 P.M. Library Open 5:45 P.M. Daily Minyan 8 P.M. PEP for Parents 8:15 P.M. Men's Club Board 8:15 P.M. Camp Ramah Open House at Davidson, 1120 Park	11 11 A.M. - 5 P.M. Gift Shop Open 1 P.M. Advanced Hebrew 3:30 - 6:30 P.M. Library Open 5:45 P.M. Daily Minyan 7:15 P.M. Club 87 Coffee House 8 P.M. Milton Steinberg 8 P.M. Parents Association Open Meeting All invited to hear Dr. Ralph Lopez	12 7:30 A.M. Morning Minyan 11 A.M. - 5 P.M. Gift Shop Open 11 A.M. Intermediate Hebrew II 1 P.M. Intermediate Hebrew I 2 P.M. Retirees Club 3 - 6 P.M. Library Open 5:45 P.M. Daily Minyan	13 6:15 P.M. Friday Night Service Light Candles 4:30 P.M.	14 9:15 A.M. Shabbat Service 5 P.M. Study Mishneh Torah followed by Service
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